

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Pursuant to a Restriction Requirement, Applicants have elected examination of Group IV, claims 19-30, without traverse; however, Applicants reserve all rights to file divisional applications or other related applications directed to any and all nonelected claims.

Support for amended claims 19 and 20 and new claims 31-61 is found throughout the application as originally filed. Support for claim 19 is found, for example, on page 9 line 33 and on page 10, lines 1-6, on page 29, line 10, on page 32, lines 10-11, on page 59, lines 19-25, and on page 61, line 3. Claim 20 has been amended so that it properly depends from claim 19. Support for claims 31 and 44 is found, for example, on page 9, lines 31-33. Support for claims 32 and 45 is found, for example, on page 59, lines 27-28. Support for claims 33 and 46 is found, for example, one page 60, line 33 and on page 61, line 1. Support for claims 34 and 47 is found, for example, on page 63, lines 22-25. Support for claims 35 and 48 is found, for example, on page 38, lines 25-29. Support for claims 36 and 49 is found, for example, on page 39, lines 4-6. Support for claims 37 and 50 is found, for example, on page 39, lines 19-21. Support for claims 38 and 51 is found, for example, on page 40, lines 2-5. Support for claims 39 and 52 is found, for example, on page 40, lines 16-18. Support for claims 40 and 53 is found, for example, on page 41, lines 10-12. Support for claims 41 and 54 is found, for example, on page 42, lines 21-23. Support for claims 42 and 55 is found, for example, on page 43, lines 7-12. Support for claims 43 and 56 is found, for example, on page 43, lines 7-8. Support for claims 57-58 is found, for example, on page 49, lines 30-32. Support for claims 59-61 is found, for example, on page 36, lines 15-17. As such, no new matter has been added.

CONCLUSION

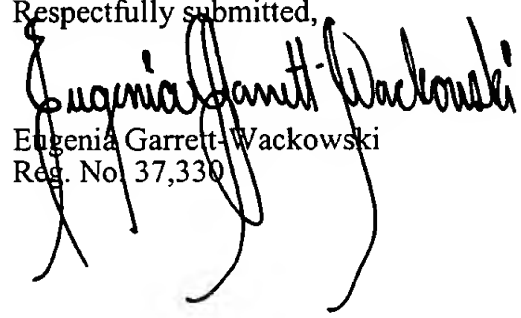
In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

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If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 925-472-5000.

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